



# MIKS FOUNDATION

opening doors and creating opportunities

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## NEWSLETTER

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## MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

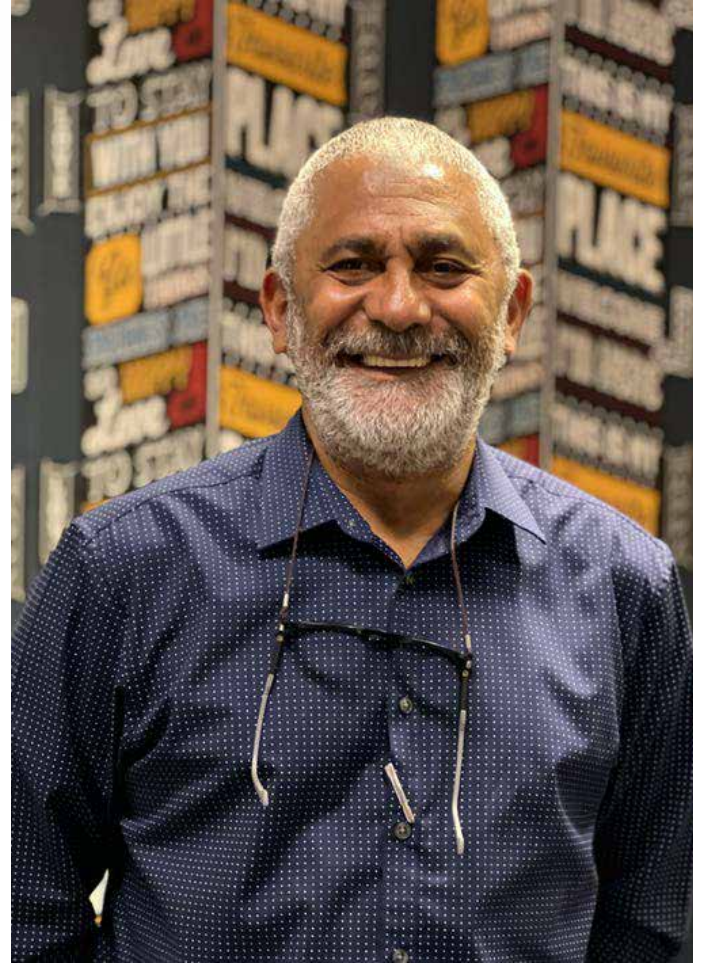
We commenced the year with great expectations for a smoother start to the higher education year. We hoped and prayed that NSFAS has managed to iron out the problems that beset them at the commencement of the education year. This will be the year when all higher Learning Institutions will commence the induction of their first-year students and academic calendar year without any disruptions. Well, at least we hoped! That hope now seemed to have been a pipe dream- let us pray for our wish to be granted next time around.

One of the objectives of the Miks Foundation is to open opportunities for those who would not otherwise be able to capitalize and derive benefit from such opportunities, due to a lack of various means. Our Foundation is still young but in the brief period of its existence, we have managed to make monumental strides towards ever improving the life of some of our younger community members.

This year, as in previous years the Foundation received a considerable number of applications from both academically and financially deserving applicants. Unfortunately, we could not accommodate all applicants. Scarce skills within the economically active environment also became a need to be considered.

The Miks Foundation is currently supporting eight students with full bursaries spread across higher learning institutions in different provinces. We are also proud to confirm that two of our bursars completed their studies during 2023 and received their degrees at the various graduation ceremonies.

Continued financial support for the Bay City Football Club, Eastern Province Masters Hockey, National Sea Rescue, and Glenville Celtic football tournament has been confirmed for the current year.



Our first face-to-face engagement with our bursars took place in June and the session provided a fantastic platform for healthy interaction amongst all attendees. As per normal, each bursar left with a Foundation memento and an undertaking to continue to be value-added ambassadors of the Miks Foundation. We are eagerly awaiting the winter exam results.

We must however continue to ask ourselves the question as to whether we are absent from other important and needy spheres of life, where negative developments have a profound impact on the daily life of our young people. As a board of trustees, we are overly concerned about the ever-growing substance abuse and violence within our residential areas. The lives and future of a multitude of our young people are being destroyed, and not enough resources are available to address the problem in a meaningful manner. Our foundation realizes that it cannot be oblivious to the needs of the communities that have been torn apart by these negative and soul-destroying conditions. The aim of the Miks Foundation is to remain vibrant, and relevant and to continue to provide opportunities/assistance to deserving individuals/organizations/community groups remain. This can only be done within the capacity which exists within the Foundation. Your support and assistance can only enhance the mentioned capacity.

*Achmat Mohamed*

## WELCOME NEW SOCIAL MEDIA MANAGER



My name is Aaliya Gani, and I am honored to join the Miks Foundation NPO team. As the individual responsible for our social media and marketing efforts, I am eager to contribute to our mission and enhance the visibility of the remarkable work we do.

I hold a BA Honours in Brand Strategy from Vega Pretoria, where I cultivated a profound passion for marketing. My expertise lies in social media and branding, and I am enthusiastic about applying these skills to benefit the Miks Foundation.

Since joining the team, I have been impressed by the kindness and supportiveness of the organization. I deeply appreciate being part of such a dedicated and compassionate team that not only gives back to the community but also plays a pivotal role in educating and empowering the youth of our country.

Thank you for welcoming me to the Miks Foundation. I am eager to collaborate and make a positive impact together.

*Aaliya Gani*

## BAY CITY

Bay City Football Club is community-based with a recruitment policy of serving underprivileged areas from Helenvale, Korsten, Kensington, New Brighton, and Motherwell.

Our Membership has grown to 212 members and our purpose is to provide opportunities and create a better environment for our soccer kids with emphasis on Life Skills, Education, Mannerism, Self-Esteem etc.

Miks Foundation for the last 3 years has collaborated with Bay City to provide us with the necessary tools in order to achieve our goals.



## SUPPORTING OUR COMMUNITY

This partnership has helped us to complete our technical responsibilities of the football side but more importantly, the pride and joy it creates for the players running around with a soccer ball by themselves, things taken for granted in life. It creates that self-belief the sense of belonging, identity and inspires them to achieve.

Miks Foundation is not just a donor, or a giver, no, it's caring passionate about development, something we share, always enquiring about our player's wellbeing, their schooling and their growth. We have now encouraged our players and challenged them to do well, work hard and with their efforts one day they might also be recipients of the Miks Foundation educational bursaries.

We humbly and respectfully thank Miks Foundation board of trustees for their generous contribution, and it is without a doubt that none of our progress and development would be possible without their support.

In Recognising that we have now added the Miks Foundation Logo to our playing kit as a sign of appreciation and respect.

Thanking You  
Farouk Jaftha  
President  
Bay City F.C.

## SUPPORTING OUR COMMUNITY

# EASTERN PROVINCE MASTERS HOCKEY

On behalf of the EP Masters Ladies Angels Impalas side, I would like to Thank you for sponsoring us again, this year with the amazing kit that we got made, we would like to in the near future if possible, work with your company again. It was vibrant and looked amazing and we stood out. The ladies absolutely loved the kit, and we were so proud to wear it and represent our Province and even though the tour is done and dusted, we will look forward to handing it over to the new Angels 2025 team.

It was a bit of a tough tour with 3 new players being added to the team and having 2 pull out due to illness, the pool that we were put in being strong teams like Western Province (usually tour winners).

Southern Gauteng and KZN, but we pulled together nicely and took the turf with positive attitudes and eagerness to play the best we could and doing this as a TEAM. Although our final position wasn't what we hoped for we still feel like winners as we bonded as a team and have made memories that will be with us always.

We are looking forward to next year's tour and building on what we did and learnt from this year. Please see below the pictures taken on tour of the ladies, we ended up 5th out of 6 teams that were in our pool.

Kit is proudly sponsored by Miks Foundation in Gqeberha

Thank you, MIKS Foundation, for the sponsorship of 2024-EP Angels  
Thank you for your support.

Philippa King

EP MASTERS HOCKEY CHAIRPERSON



## TRANSPORT FOR THE ELDERLY

## SUPPORTING OUR COMMUNITY

### AL YAADUL MU-EENAT



Our organisation raises its funds through fundraising events and from donations from friends of the organisation.

We commenced operating in 2004 and will be celebrating our 20th year of operation this year. Our operational committee consists of nine housewives offering their time and services gratuitous.

We currently care for a group of forty senior citizens and arrange activities and support services for them on a weekly basis. The arranged activities include but are not limited to lunches, guest lectures, health care services and outdoor excursions.

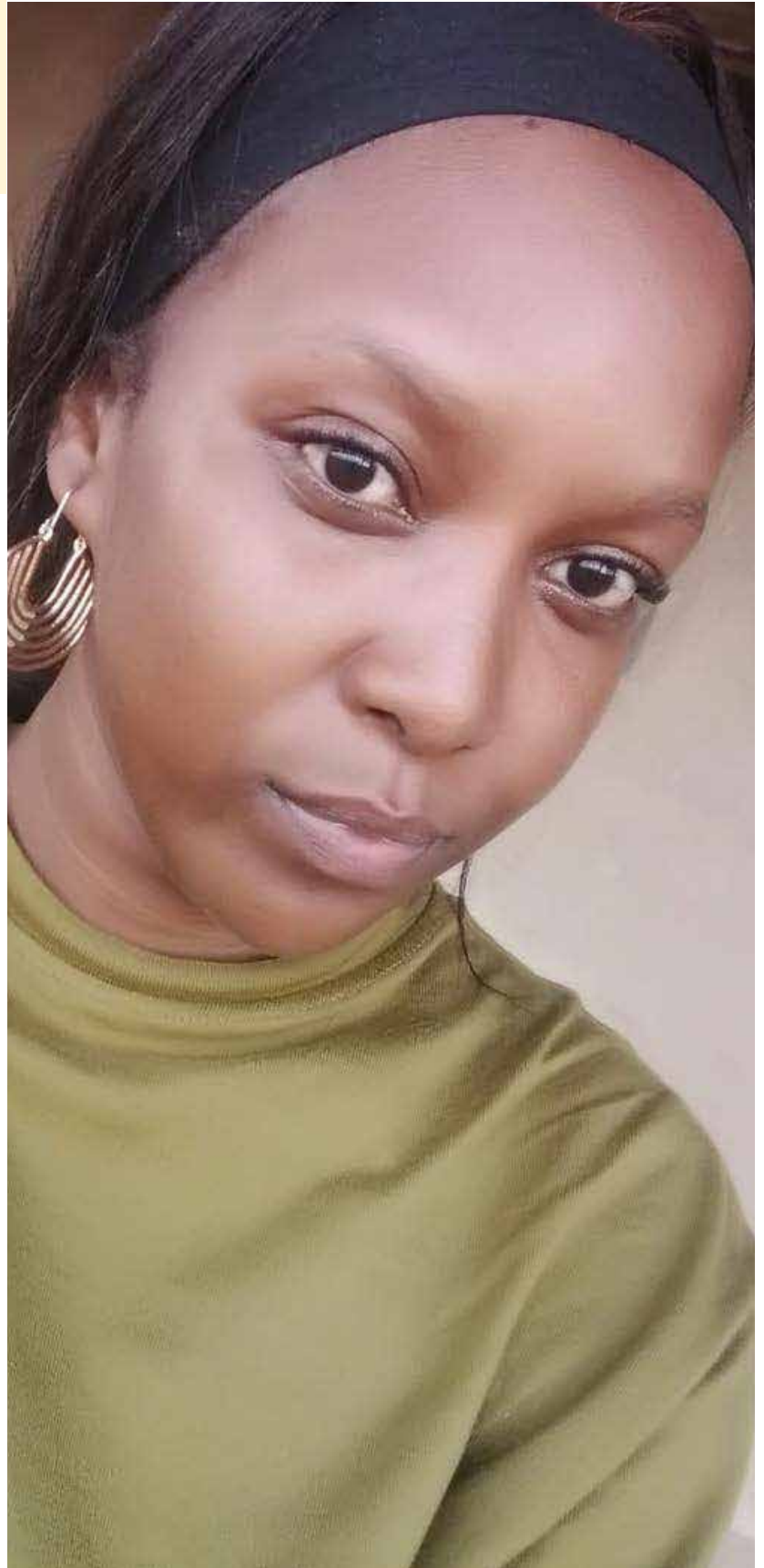


MEET OUR

## BENEFICIARIES

# AMOGELANG SANKI CHILOANE

My name is Amogelang Sanki Chiloane and I am a bachelor's student majoring in Intermediate phase teaching at IIE Rosebank College as a fourth-year student. The Miks Foundation has assisted me in covering my tuition costs. I would still be at home if it wasn't for it, but it saved me and became my hero. Thanks to the Miks Foundation, for the support There are a few months left until I complete the course and begin working as a professional teacher. I will graduate next year..



## MEET OUR **BENEFICIARIES**

### **JORDYN DE MAINE**



I am studying at AFDA, currently in my 2nd year. I am majoring in cinematography and production and set design. Miks foundation has helped me accomplish my dreams to study at a film school. AFDA has always been my dream school since grade 8 and now knowing I am studying there always blows my mind. My goals are to create more with cinematography and create a portfolio of all the work I've done so far.

### **ABBY VAN HEERDEN**



My name is Abby Carla Van Heerden. I'm a first-year student studying Bachelor of Education in intermediate phase, right now I'm busy preparing for my first semester exams and it's a lot of work and the semester is extremely short. I am really excited and looking forward to going to a primary school for the first time. Can't wait to meet the learners and most of all the guidance from the teachers. So far studies are going very well.

My goal is to work extremely hard not only this year but in the near future as well. Many challenges are lying ahead and with all my heart I believe in myself.

MIKS foundation saw the potential in me and helped me to get closer to my dream of becoming a teacher. MIKS foundation has provided an opportunity for me, and I am so grateful for being on their team. My achievements are to become a patient and dedicated educator and I cannot wait to make a success of my teaching career.



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## BENEFICIARIES

### KAUTHAR HENDRICKS



I am studying nursing at Netcare College. I'm currently in my second year of studying. It's been quite a journey so far. The Miks foundation has been a huge help in supporting my studies. With the financial support from The Miks foundation, I've been able to cover my tuition fees. It has relieved a lot of financial stress and allowed me to fully focus on my studies without worrying about the expenses. I'm truly grateful for this opportunity, and it has motivated me to work even harder towards my nursing goals.

### SINOVUYO MFENGWANA



My Name is Sinovuyo Mfengwana and I'm 28 years old. I'm a 3rd year student at Edu-build Institute. I will be completing my studies in June 2024. My current goal is to continue to work hard, and be dedicated to my studies so that I can pass all my modules and be able to complete my studies. I would like to thank the Miks Foundation for giving me this opportunity and helping me grow as an individual. This opportunity means that I will be able to equip myself with the necessary skills outside of school as well.

## CHRISTAL WATERS

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## BENEFICIARIES

## NEWEL DIRIE



My name is Newel Dirie and I am currently a second-year nursing student at Life Healthcare College. I went into nursing as a second option and never thought I would love it as much as I do right now. I truly believe this career chose me and I always look forward to interacting with my patients and helping them to the best of my ability as well as seeing new procedures being done. My long-term goal is to become a midwife and a neonatal nurse. I am beyond grateful to Miks foundation for funding my studies and seeing the potential in me. I intend to give back to the community as much as I can once I graduate.



My name is Christal Waters, I am 28 years old. I have been managing a bar for about 6 years now. I am studying a one-year higher certificate in accounting and hope to go on to the degree next year. Miks has helped me tremendously with being able to study what I have been wanting to for years but did not have the means to do so. My ultimate goal is to become a chartered accountant and Miks has helped so much in getting the dream started.

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## MEET OUR 2023 GRADUATES

# BRITELY JACOBS



I'm Britely Jacobs, an intern general nurse at Life Mercantile Hospital. I started my internship on the 1st of February 2024 and currently working in the paediatric unit with little kids. At first, I was nervous, as I had mostly worked with adults and enjoyed it more because they are able to tell you how they felt and conversed with you. But the staff is amazing and I'm learning every day and starting to enjoy working with little humans. There are some challenges that arise, especially when the children are reluctant to have the nurses touch them, but at least the parents are there to assist.

# EBRAHIM GEORGE



I recently joined Nasruddin Islamic High School as an English, Geography, and LO teacher for Grades 8 and 9. Taking over mid-term was challenging, with control tests and essay marking, but I managed to complete all tasks on time. Time management and perseverance helped me handle the overwhelming workload, including moderation preparations and organizing learner files. As I prepare for my first full term, I'm grateful to the MIKS Foundation for funding my studies and enabling me to pursue my passion. This opportunity has been invaluable, and I'm excited for what the future holds.

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## KEY DATES

- 13 December 2024 – Deadline for applications.
- 31 Jan 2025 – Deadline for additional documents.
- 14 Feb 2025 – Outcome of applications submitted.